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<u>IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFIC</u>

RE APPLICATION OF

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SERIAL NO: 09/941,869

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FOR: TRANSFER-RESISTANT COSMETIC COMPOSITIONS COMPRISING A NON-

VOLATILE SILICONE COMPOUND, A NON-VOLATILE HYDROCARBON-

BASED OIL, AND AN INERT PARTICULATE PHASE:

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Responsive to the Official Action dated September 24, 2002, Applicants elect, with traverse, Claims 1-52, drawn to a composition comprising a non-volatile hydrocarbon based oil, a non-volatile silicone compound, an inert particulate phase and a dispersant, for further prosecution. Further, Applicants elect, with traverse, poly(hydroxy-12)stearic acid as one specific dispersant and octyldocecyl neopentanoate as a specific non-volatile hydrocarbon.

REMARKS

The Office has required restriction in the present application as follows:

Group I:

Claims 1-52, drawn to a composition comprising a non-volatile hydrocarbon based oil, a non-volatile silicone compound, an inert particulate phase and a dispersant; and

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